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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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1. Claims: 1-25

Method of diagnosing Alzheimer's disease using cystatin C as a marker.

2. Claims: 26-33

Agents modulating activity of cystatin C.

3. Claim : 34

Method of identifying agents that modulate cystatin C.

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